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Tourism & Business Development Director David Holder Accepts Syracuse Convention and Visitors Bureau Post

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City Manager Phillip Rodenberg announced that Tourism and Business Development Director David C. Holder has resigned from the City to take an executive tourism position, effective September 28, 2006. Mr. Holder has accepted an offer to become the President of the Convention and Visitors Bureau of the Syracuse (New York) Chamber of Commerce.

"I salute David for the valuable contribution he made to the City in the short time since his arrival in February 2004," Mr. Rodenberg said. "David is credited with leading the "Fredericksburg Timeless" regional tourism campaign. He has coordinated the recent private sector offerings toward redevelopment of Maury School and development of a downtown hotel. He also pitched the idea to the Fredericksburg Economic Development Authority that led to the Jumpstart! Fredericksburg Action Plan. We will miss him."

Mr. Rodenberg has appointed Ms. Karen Hedelt, the Tourism Marketing Manager, as the acting director while the City conducts a search for a new director.